

TRANSMITTAL SLIP

DATE 27 JUL 1982

TO:

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REMARKS:

per your conversation with
Mr. McMahon

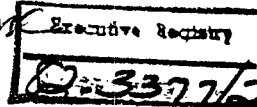
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FROM

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26 July 1982

Mr. James W. Lucas
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
(Manpower, Reserve Affairs & Installations)
Department of the Air Force
Washington, D.C. 20330

Jim:

~~Appreciate all you~~ and the Air Force have
done I believe you have gone
above and beyond in attempting to sort this out.
At this stage I think we both have done enough
and can let the chips fall where they may. Thanks
for all the time and personal attention that you
gave to this.

STAT

Would be delighted to have lunch at a location
of your choosing. Best times for me right now
would be 3, 6 or 9 August.

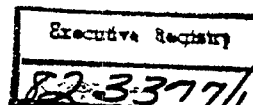
Regards,

John N. McMahon

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 20330



OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY

July 16, 1982

Honorable John N. McMahon
The Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, DC 20505

Dear John:

We have taken a close look at the circumstances that surround the [redacted] request. There are really several issues involved. [redacted] request has been disapproved by Air Force Personnel officials for two reasons; (1) because in the past he "had not demonstrated the total commitment necessary for an Air Force Commission," and (2) because his qualifications for pilot training were not really up to standard.

The fact that [redacted] eliminated himself from a commissioning program does not show the stick-to-it attitude that military leaders know is required in military training--especially flying training.

I checked [redacted] qualifications for flying training to see how competitive he is. The numbers show the story.

Air Force Officer Qualifying Test

[redacted]		Other Personnel Selected from "Bottom" of the List of Officer Training School, Pilot Board			
Pilot	41	43	50	45	63
Nav	40	43	47	44	51

Scholastic Grade Point Average

[redacted]	Others (above)		
2.57	2.8	3.66	3.2

Notwithstanding the above, I asked my military assistant to call [redacted]. The direction of the conversation was to determine level of interest and understanding of the issues at play. As a result, [redacted] understands that he is not competitive for

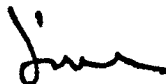
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flying training, but that he can do something about it. He [] indicates he would like a commission, but that he really desires to fly and is willing to make his record stronger by retaking his AF Officer Qualification Test and possibly obtaining a private pilot license. He will talk to his local recruiter and get back to us with his plans, and we'll assess the situation from there. STAT

John, at this point I believe it best that we remain supportive and yet realistic that even if we offer a commission, [] is not, based upon his record to date, a good risk for the \$500K investment that we would make in just his initial officer and subsequent pilot training. STAT

Please let me know if this approach sounds fair to you and I would be interested in any other views you may have on the case.

Sincerely,



JAMES W. LUCAS
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
(Manpower, Reserve Affairs & Installations)

P.S. I would like to extend an invitation to you for breakfast or lunch over here or at the Metro Club downtown with me and Ty McCoy sometime during the next two weeks, if your schedule permits.